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CREAM OF NEWS.

IF IT IS NEW AND TRUE YOU WILL FIND IT IN THIS COLUMN.

The Legislature Meets—The Waterworks Finished—Twenty-One Workhouse Convicts—Wholesale Arrests—Many Local News Nuggets.

The Higgen-Wicks Wedding.

The first wedding of the New Year was that of Mr. Quirin L. Higgen and Miss Eva Wicks, which was briefly mentioned in our last issue. The wedding occurred at the residence of Mr. Jno. W. Wicks, the bride's father, on Wednesday evening, the officiating clergyman being Rev. Geo. H. Taylor, of the Universalist church.

There were two couples of attendants. Mr. Louis Waller and Miss Noaie Prowse and Mr. Will Starling and Miss Lelia Wicks.

Mr. Higgen is a son of Mr. Chas. H. Higgen and is employed in the painting department of Forbes & Bro. He is a young man of energy, industry and excellent habits. Though only 21 years of age he has saved his earnings and owns a cozy cottage on the corner of Fourth and Brown streets, which had been prepared for the reception of his pretty little bride. The bride, as stated above, is a daughter of Mr. John W. Wicks. She is a young lady of a most attractive type of beauty. Of regular features, graceful carriage and brightness of mind, she possesses unusual attractions and most charming manners. With dark hair, blue eyes, lovely complexion and a captivating smile, her personal attractiveness entitles her to rank among Hopkinsville's prettiest girls.

The young couple went at once to housekeeping in their own home.

Wholesale Arrest at Crofton.

Deputies H. H. Golay and E. P. Wilkins went to Crofton Sunday armed with a search warrant, and in company with R. Y. Long, marshal of that place, arrested Lee Alexander, John McIntosh, Viney Crony, Margaret McIntosh, and Lavena McIntosh, all of the Kelly neighborhood, and three brothers named Hamby, of Dawson. They are all white and five of them are accused of house breaking and grand larceny. A few nights ago the stores of J. M. Kistner and F. W. Owen, merchants at Kelly, were burglarized. About \$100 worth of goods were found in the possession of the parties arrested, which were fully identified by Messrs. Kistner and Owen, as their property. The Hamby boys claim that they were only employed to move the other parties to Dawson and knew nothing of the character of merchandise packed in their wagons. They were released on bonds of \$100 each, and the other five prisoners were placed in jail here.

The examining trial will be held to-day by Judge Breathitt.

Whisky Case Reversed.

The case of T. W. Wootton against the Commonwealth, appealed from Caldwell county, was decided last week in favor of Wootton. He was fined \$300 and given fifty days in jail on a charge of violating the prohibition law, the trial and conviction having resulted after the law had been repealed. The Court of Appeals held that appellant could not be tried or punished, after repeal of that statute for the alleged offense. There were several other cases against defendant, which will likely be dismissed under this ruling, when they are called at the next term of Circuit Court in Princeton.

Nearing Completion.

The waterworks plant is almost ready for business. The various pipe lines have been tested and put in readiness for the turning on of water. The reservoir is full of pure, clear water. The standpipe is receiving its finishing touches of paint. The exact date for turning on the water has not been announced, but the system is now practically complete. Now let those insurance rates come down.

It Isn't Hopkinsville's Dick.

A rather sensational suit has been filed in the Circuit Court for the February term. W. I. Bush, of Energy neighborhood, representing his daughter, Miss Christina A. Bush, sues Richard H. Holland, of Rock Castle district, for \$5,000 damages. Attorneys Penton Sims and D. P. Smith are counsel for the plaintiff and R. A. Burnett will defend Holland. Telephone.

The Legislature Meets To-day.

The General Assembly at Frankfort will begin business to-day, the House Republican and the Senate Democratic. Caucuses were held last night to select officers. The Republican State officers all took charge yesterday.

His Business Killed Him.

Princeton, Ky., Jan. 3.—I. K. Co. died here at 1 o'clock this morning. His remains will be buried at Owboro. He had lately made an assignment, and it is thought his business failure had something to do with his sickness.

THE NEW LANDLORD.

Hotel Latham Will Be Well Managed in Future.

It becomes more and more manifest from day to day that cloyed Jack Johnson is the very man Hotel Latham needed to make the big hotel a success. The directors were unfortunate in entering into a lease a year ago that it was found necessary to cancel in eleven months. This time they determined to profit by past experience and not make a similar blunder. After careful consideration of the claims of numerous applicants the directors made a trade with Mr. Johnson, and he took charge of the hotel several days ago, as announced in the Kentuckian at the time.

Mr. Johnson came with ample experience and fresh from the successful management of one of Louisville's most popular hotels. He has adopted careful business methods in the management of the Latham and inaugurated many changes looking to the improvement of the service and accommodations. Mr. Johnson is popular with the traveling public and knows how to please his guests. He is genial, gentlemanly and companionable. Watchful of the interests of his patrons and attentive to the details of his business, Mr. Johnson's management of the Latham is sure to command for it the largest share of success and popularity.

Mr. Johnson's family came with him and he is already feeling at home in his new quarters. Like every other new comer, he is highly pleased at the air of growth and prosperity everywhere to be seen in Hopkinsville, "the best town in Kentucky," as the traveling men say.

The Lowry Estate.

The appraisers have completed the valuation of the estate of the late W. A. Lowry and the administrators have made a partial division between the two heirs, Mrs. Lowry and Mrs. R. C. Watkins. The personal property amounts to about \$37,000, which under the law will be divided equally between the widow and daughter. The real estate amounts to about \$31,000 to \$33,000, according to the estimate placed on it. The farm of 400 or 500 acres, the handsome Cowan place on South Main and some vacant lots in the Kelly property were the real estate interests in which Mrs. Lowry had only a dower or one-third life interest. She has sold her dower interest in the farm and vacant lots to Mrs. Watkins and has taken an absolute title deed to the residence on South Main street, valued at \$7,000. The estate was practically free from debts and the administrators will make a final settlement and report in a short while.

The Vanderbilt Glee Club.

The well-known musical organization, composed of about 30 students of Vanderbilt University under the leadership of Prof. J. A. Le Barge, gave an entertainment Saturday night to a large and appreciative audience. The program consisted of vocal and instrumental music by the Glee Club and the Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo clubs. Among the special features were the dialect songs of Mr. J. S. Johnston, of Alabama, and the whistling of Mr. L. B. Finn, of Franklin, Ky. One of the best renditions was the xylophone quartette medley by Messrs. Le Barge, Brown, Lovelace and Welburn. Mr. Johnston's "Maria's Wedding Day" was boisterously encored. In fact the encores were so frequent during the whole performance that almost a double program was presented. The concert concluded with the Vanderbilt yell.

Big Hatch For the Work House.

Late Thursday afternoon last the following parties were fined in the Police Court for visiting disreputable houses:

Chas. Dade, James Wood, Neal Catlett, John Rice, Ace Dillard, Sam Taylor, John Marshall, Robert Orendoff, Eph Coleman, Frank Gallah, Moses Jackson, James Gibson, James Munford, John Jarrett, Arthur Pass, Will Griffith, Geo. White, Tom Clark, Will Jackson, James Moore, Roy Bonles. They were assessed \$5 and costs each, and nearly all of them were sent to the work house.

Lee McKee, Carrie Dulin and Hattie McKee were the witnesses for the prosecution. They were each fined \$15 and costs. The parties are colored.

A Libel Suit at Russellville.

City Judge Dunlap, of Russellville, has sued the Herald-Enterprise Co., and J. Guthrie, Coke and G. Frances Long, stockholders and officers of the Company, for the sum of \$10,500 for defamation of character and damages. The suit upon which it is based is based on a libelous article published in the Herald-Enterprise of December 12, 1895.

DR. STONE RESIGNS.

SUPERINTENDENT STONE MAKES A VACANCY FOR BRADLEY TO FILL.

His Successor Already Determined Upon—Dr. Letcher of Henderson Will Get The Place.

Dr. B. W. Stone, Superintendent of the Western asylum, will not give Gov. Bradley a chance to "fire him" for political reasons. He yesterday tendered his resignation to the Governor, to take effect at his pleasure.

Gov. Bradley has already made public his intention to appoint Dr. Ben Letcher to this position.

The Henderson Gleaner, speaking of the proposed change, says:

"It is the purpose of Dr. Letcher to spend some time with Dr. Stone at the asylum, getting information as to special cases, thereby enabling him to proceed as though no change had taken place. Dr. Stone has invited Dr. Letcher to visit him and during his stay to assist him in every possible way in getting a necessary insight into the workings of the asylum and when time comes for taking charge Dr. Letcher will be equipped for assuming his duties as though he had been an official in charge for years."

He is recognized as one of the best physicians in the State, both by theory and practice, is a man of fine judgment, ample energy, and well fixed determination to succeed at everything he undertakes. Governor Bradley could hardly have made a better selection, and the Gleaner is pleased to congratulate both him and Dr. Letcher."

Dick Smith, a farmer living in the 8th district, while fixing a steel trap at the mouth of a cave to catch a fox, saw some human bones on the ground.

This led him to investigate further, and entering the cave a short distance he saw on a shelving rock at one side of the cave the bones of a human being. By the position of some loose rocks, the body had evidently been placed on the ledge and these rocks put in a position to prevent it from rolling off. In the jaw bones, the teeth were intact. The skull was found and had a bullet hole in the forehead, making it look as if some foul deed had been committed, probably several years ago. No clue as to the identity of the skeleton could be found. There is no story in the neighborhood of the mysterious disappearance of any persons who were not afterwards heard from, and the whole affair is shrouded in mystery. It will probably never be known whose skeleton Dick Smith found.

Kaufman Will Be Counted Out.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 4.—The contest of Wood G. Dunlap, who was the Republican candidate for the Legislature from the city of Lexington, against Moses Kaufman, Democrat, has progressed far enough to warrant the opinion that Dunlap will be defeated. Kaufman claimed to have defeated Dunlap by 126 votes, while Dunlap claims that his defeat was caused by fraud. He has secured the affidavits of 144 voters, in which they swear that they were not allowed to register, while, according to law, they were entitled so to do.

An Iowa Swindler Arrested.

CLARESVILLE, Jan. 4.—This afternoon F. B. Ives, alias Gray, was arrested by Chief Robinson on a telegram from Chief of Police Morgan, of Dubuque, Iowa, on the charge of defrauding merchants. Ives was arrested at the Arlington Hotel, where he had registered as "J. G. Gray, California." Ives is a man of nice appearance. He carries printed letterheads with the name of the town let blank, claiming to be a commission merchant. Ives recently worked Paducah and other Kentucky towns. He was taken to Dubuque without a requisition.

Here's Your Bonds.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Speculation concerning the amount and character of the new bond issue was set at rest to-night when Secretary Carlisle made public a circular on the subject. The loan will be a "popular" one, and the circular, which is dated Jan. 5, gives notice that the Government will sell \$100,000,000 thirty-year percent coupon or registered bonds, dated Feb. 1, 1896, for which purchasers will be required to pay gold coin or gold certificates.

Heavy Loss to Lumbermen.

The recent rise in Green river has done great damage to the lumber in that section of the country. Large quantities of valuable logs have floated away from their moorings. The loss is estimated at several thousand dollars.

ON TO HAVANA.

THE CUBAN PATRIOTS MARCHING ON TO VICTORY.

Gomez, the Cuban Leader, Too Much For Campos—Preparing to Besiege Havana—Liberty Appeals To Be In Sight of the Patriots.

HAVANA, Jan. 4.—Unless all indications are misleading, the end of the Cuban insurrection is at hand, and the result, it would seem, must be in favor of the insurgents, whose armies, under Maximo Gomez, Antonio Maceo and Quintin Bandera, are nearing this city from three different directions.

Insurgent cavalry scouts are believed to have been sighted from here this morning. As these advance bodies of the Cubans were at Tapaste, eighteen miles from Guanabaco, practically a suburb of this city, last night, it is by no means improbable that the report that the Cuban scouts have been sighted from the lines defending Havana is correct.

It is no longer a cry of "On to Havana" from the Cubans. They are here, slowly but surely surrounding this capital in their triumphant march from the eastern end of Santiago de Cuba to the capital of this island, in spite of all the best troops of Spain could do to prevent them. Step by step Gen. Campos has been driven back before the advance of the victorious army, until here preparations are being completed on both sides for the final and decisive struggle.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 5.—An American passenger arriving from Cuba to-night reports that the Cubans are within seventeen miles of Havana. According to his statement, Gomez has 22,000 men. The insurgents burned Quivicana, San Felipe, Duran, Melena, Del Sur and Aguirre Friday night. These places are twenty miles from Havana.

Downer.

Mr. Benjamin Downer, an old and highly esteemed citizen, died at his home in this city about noon Jan. 5th, of heart failure. Mr. Downer was born in Todd county, Ky., 76 years ago and was one of the widely known Downer Brothers, of Fairview. He was a brother of the veteran nurseryman John S. Downer, whose sons still continue the nursery business near Fairview. Mr. Downer moved to this city three years ago. He was the father of nine children, eight of whom are still living. His wife died several years ago. Of his four sons, Frank N. Downer is engaged in the nursery business at Bowling Green; Hon. J. W. Downer, ex-State senator, is a prominent lawyer of this city; Jno. E. Downer lives in Texas and Rev. Reno Downer is a Baptist minister at Durango, Col. One of the daughters is the wife of Dr. B. F. Edgar and the three unmarried ones lived with their father in this city.

Mr. Downer was a member of the Methodist church and his funeral services will be conducted at his late residence this morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. H. C. Settle. The body will be taken to the family burying ground near Fairview for interment.

Deceased was a pious, upright and honorable man. All who knew him will testify to his worth as a man, his consistent christian character and his integrity of purpose in all the walks of life.

Ferguson—Esq.

W. D. Ferguson, one of the oldest citizens of the county, died at his home in Fruit Hill district, Sunday, aged 98 years. He was one of the best known residents of that part of the county, having been a magistrate for many years and a country merchant nearly all of his long life. Esq. Ferguson was the father of attorney Harry Ferguson, of this city. He was a man of prominence and means and leaves a valuable estate. While on his death bed Esq. Ferguson directed that his coffin be made of plain oak lumber an inch and a quarter thick and put together with heavy screws. The coffin was made according to his wishes by Bailey Waller. It was of solid oak, handsomely mounted and finished, but the wood itself was without varnish or paint. The interment took place yesterday afternoon at the family burying ground near the late home of the deceased.

Baconeans—Death chronicles one of the saddest events in the death last Friday morning of Mrs. Charlie Bro-nough, nee Lela Daniel, a lovely young lady.

Mr. Bro-nough found this gentle, lovely girl in Louisa county, Va., who sprang from one of the most influential families of that State, being a great niece of Chief Justice Peter V. Daniel, of the Van Buren administration. Her cousin to Senator Jno. W. Daniel. Mr. and Mrs. Bro-nough had just moved to their new home, he having recently bought the Fruit farm, near Pem-broke. The entire community sympathized with Mr. Bro-nough.

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